UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ELIE INTERNATIONAL INC.,

Index No.

Plaintiff.

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

-against-

DANIEL HANEY,

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Defendant.

----- JUDGE KAPLAN

Plaintiff, by its attorneys, ARTHUR I. WINARD, P.C., complaining of the defendant above named, alleges as follows:

AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION:

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- 1. At all times hereinafter mentioned, plaintiff was and still is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, having its principal place of business in the City, County and State of New York.
- 2. At all times hereinafter mentioned, defendant was and still is a citizen of the State of Texas.
- 3. The amount in controversy exceeds the sum of Seventy-Five (\$75,000.00) Dollars, exclusive of interest and costs, and jurisdiction exists by virtue of 28 U.S.C. 1332.
- 4. Venue in this district is proper pursuant to signed agreement between the parties.
- 5. On or about June 28, 2004, plaintiff and defendant entered into a written Agreement (hereinafter the "June 28, 2004 Agreement") pursuant to which plaintiff, which was and still is engaged

in the sale of jewelry, hired defendant as plaintiff's sales representative to represent plaintiff in promoting and selling its jewelry.

- 6. The June 28, 2004 Agreement provided in pertinent part that all merchandise provided by plaintiff to defendant as its sales representative:
 - "...will be turned over to sales rep pursuant to all-risk memorandum pursuant to which sales rep will be fully responsible for all merchandise which is not returned to Elie or sold by sales rep to customers for Elie, it being agreed that the stated all-risk memorandum value of the merchandise represents its actual fair market value."
- 7. Pursuant to the provisions of the June 28, 2004
 Agreement, on June 28, 2004 and July 22, 2004, defendant received various items of jewelry on consignment from the plaintiff pursuant to All-Risk Memorandum, the said items of jewelry having a total stated and agreed value of \$112,585.93.
- 8. On July 31, 2004 defendant suffered a burglary loss of all the items of jewelry entrusted to him by plaintiff on consignment pursuant to the aforesaid All-Risk Memoranda.
- 9. By reason of said burglary loss and in accordance with the terms of the June 28, 2004 Agreement and the terms of the aforesaid All-Risk Memoranda, defendant became liable to plaintiff for the agreed stated valued of the stolen jewelry, to wit: the sum of \$112,585.93.
- 10. Subsequent to July 31, 2004, a portion of the plaintiff's stolen, consigned jewelry was recovered by the FBI

and returned to plaintiff, said recovered-returned jewelry having an agreed value of \$20,065.07 which, together with a \$4,500.00 payment from defendant, was credited to defendant's account, thereby reducing the principal amount of his liability to plaintiff to the sum of \$88,020.86 as of December 28, 2005.

- 11. On or about December 28, 2005, plaintiff and defendant entered into afurther written Agreement (hereinafter the "Payment Agreement") pursuant to which defendant, in pertinent part, acknowledged his liability to plaintiff in the principal amount of \$88,020.86 and agreed that said sum would be paid no later than December 31, 2006.
- 12. No part of the sum of \$88,020.86 has been paid by defendant, despite demand therefor, and said sum is now justly due and owing to plaintiff.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:

- 13. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in Paragraphs "1" through "4" of this Complaint as though more fully and completely set forth herein at length.
- 14. On or about June 15, 2006, plaintiff and defendant entered into another written Agreement (hereinafter the "June 15, 2006 Agreement") pursuant to which plaintiff again engaged defendant as plaintiff's sales representative.
 - 15. Under the terms of the June 15, 2006 Agreement,

defendant's compensation was on a "draw against commission" basis, with defendant being obligated to reimburse plaintiff for the amount of any overdraw, <u>i.e.</u>, draw in excess of commissions earned.

- 16. As of February 7, 2007, the amount of draw received by defendant from plaintiff exceeded the amount of the commissions he had earned by \$3,717.25, which said amount defendant was obligated to reimburse plaintiff.
- 17. No part of the sum of \$3,713.25 has been paid by defendant, despite demand therefor, and said sum is now justly due and owing to plaintiff.

AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION:

- 18. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in Paragraphs "1" through "12" and "13" through "17" of this Complaint as though more fully and completely set forth herein at length.
- 19. Each of the aforesaid Agreements provide that in the event plaintiff commences any litigation against the defendant to enforce its rights under such Agreement, then in addition to any amount otherwise due and owing, the defendant will further be liable to plaintiff for reasonable attorneys' fees.
- 20. It has been necessary for plaintiff to retain the firm of ARTHUR I. WINARD, P.C., as its attorneys in order to enforce plaintiff's rights against defendant under the aforesaid

Agreements, the plaintiff thereby being obliged to incur legal fees and to reimburse its attorneys for costs and disbursements incurred by said attorneys in conjunction with this litigation.

21. By reason of the premises, as aforesaid, defendant is further liable to plaintiff for reasonable attorney's fees in an amount to be determined and fixed by the Court.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands Judgment against the defendant:

- (a) On its First Cause of Action in the amount of \$88,020.86, together with interest thereon from July 31, 2004;
- (b) On its Second Cause of Action in the amount of \$3,717.25, together with interest thereon from February 7, 2007;
- (c) On its Third Cause of Action for reasonable attorneys' fees;

altogether with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated: New York, New York May 9, 2007

ARTHUR I. WINARD, P.C.

Arthur I. Winard (AW 7201)

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STATE OF NEW YORK) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

ED ELEASIAN, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Deponent is the Vice-President of ELIE INTERNATIONAL,

INC., the plaintiff in the within action; that deponent has read the foregoing Complaint and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true to deponent's own knowledge except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters deponent believes it to be true.

This verification is made by deponent because ELIE INTERNATIONAL INC. is a New York corporation. Deponent is an officer thereof, to wit, its Vice-President. The grounds of deponent's belief as to all matters not stated upon deponent's knowledge are as follows: the books and records maintained by the corporation in the ordinary course of its business.

ED ELEASIAN

Sworn to before me this

The day of May, 2007.

Notary Publ

Notary Public, State of New No. 31-3356095
Qualified in New York County
Commission Expires Sect. 25, 2005

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OF THE COURT TO EVALUATE POSSIBLE DISQUALIFICATION OR RECUSAL,

THE UNDERSIGNED COUNSEL FOR __ELIE_INTERNATIONAL_INC._______ (A

PRIVATE NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTY) CERTIFIES THAT THE FOLLOWING ARE

CORPORATE PARENTS, AFFILIATES AND/OR SUBSIDIARIES OF SAID PARTY

WHICH ARE PUBLICLY HELD.

DATE: May 9, 2007

FORM SDNY-9

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

ARTHUR I. WINARD (AW 7201)

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